

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MATTHEW J. FECTEAU,

Petitioner,

-against-

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE; THE
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE; 80TH
TRAINING COMMAND,

Respondents.

24-CV-8201 (LTS)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN, Chief United States District Judge:

By order dated November 4, 2024, the Court directed Plaintiff, within thirty days, to submit a completed request to proceed *in forma pauperis* (“IFP application”) or pay the \$405.00 in fees required to file a civil action in this court. That order specified that failure to comply would result in dismissal of the complaint. Plaintiff has not filed an IFP application or paid the fees.¹ Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed without prejudice. *See* 28 U.S.C. §§ 1914, 1915.

The Court certifies under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) that any appeal from this order would not be taken in good faith, and therefore IFP status is denied for the purpose of an appeal. *Cf. Coppededge v. United States*, 369 U.S. 438, 444-45 (1962) (holding that an appellant demonstrates good faith when he seeks review of a nonfrivolous issue).

¹ The Court received a check from Plaintiff on December 13, 2024, but it was returned to him because the payment was improper. Plaintiff never resent the payment.

The Court directs the Clerk of Court to enter judgment in this case.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 14, 2025
New York, New York

/s/ Laura Taylor Swain

LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN
Chief United States District Judge